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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 16, 2008. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period for reply is originally set in the Office Action to expire on January 16, 2009, this paper is filed by the initial due date for response. However, If any extension of time fee is necessary or any other fees to maintain the pendency of this application, the Office is authorized to charge such fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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